

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 1 and 3, without prejudice. The status of all pending claims is as follows:

1-3. (Cancelled)

4. (Previously Presented) A method for manufacturing a pneumatic tire, comprising the steps of:

intermittently crimping volume adjusting members on both side sections of a sheet inner liner material in a longitudinal direction thereof beforehand;

winding the inner liner material on an outer peripheral side of a forming drum;

winding a sheet carcass material on an outer peripheral side of the inner liner material;

forming an unvulcanized tire containing the inner liner material and the carcass material; and

vulcanizing the unvulcanized tire,

wherein the volume adjusting members are intermittently arranged in a tire circumferential direction between the inner liner material and the carcass material.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Original) The method for manufacturing a pneumatic tire according to claim 4, wherein the volume adjusting members are made of rubber compositions and set in a range from 1 mm to 10 mm in thickness.

7. (Previously Presented) The method for manufacturing a pneumatic tire according to claim 4, wherein the volume adjusting members are arranged at equal intervals in the tire circumferential direction.